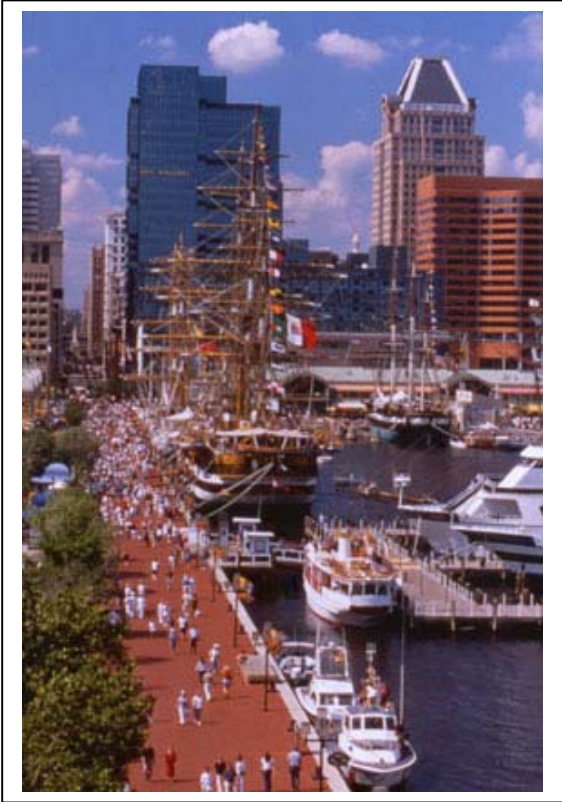


Invitation to ICOPS 2004 Baltimore, Maryland

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We wish to cordially invite you to the 31st IEEE International Conference on Plasma Science to be held in Baltimore, MD, between June 28 and July 1, 2004. The conference, held at the Hyatt Regency on the inner Harbor in Baltimore, MD, will feature an exciting technical program with up-to-date reports on new developments in plasma science and engineering.

Plasma science covers a broad spectrum of topics and a wide range of applications. This conference will offer a balanced technical program with representation from all of these research areas including basic plasma physics, inertial- and magnetic-confinement fusion, high-energy-density plasmas, thermal and non-equilibrium plasmas, plasma processing, microwaves, lighting, and medical applications. Researchers from the world over will be presenting results of their work. The conference will have seven plenary talks of general interest to the plasma physics community given by recognized leaders in their fields.

The Hyatt Regency-Baltimore overlooks the Baltimore Inner Harbor and boasts meeting spaces ideally suited for moving between poster and oral talks, all the while providing ample room for interactions with colleagues. The hotel is walking distance from many attractions such as the Baltimore Aquarium, the Maryland Science Center, Camden Yards, and many fine shops and restaurants. The conference location is also only a 30 to 40 minute drive from the nation's capital, Washington, DC and Annapolis, the state capital of Maryland. As conference dates merge with the Independence Day weekend, a limited number of rooms have been reserved at the conference rate for those wishing to take part in the elaborate 4th of July festivities in Baltimore, Annapolis, and Washington, DC.

The conference organizers, including committee members, session organizers, and conference planners, encourage you to attend this meeting. We will work hard to ensure that the technical program will be rewarding and that your stay in the Baltimore/Washington area will be especially enjoyable.

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